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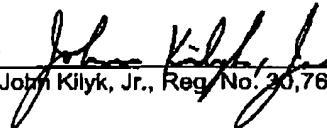
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In reply to the Office Action dated July 31, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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